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Date of Submission: August 8, 2006

Alex Grant

Attorney Docket No.: 11000.1004c3  
PATENT APPLICATION

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of **Annette LASHAM and James D. WATSON**

Group Art Unit: 1636

Application No. : 10/028,415  
Filed : December 20, 2001  
For : **METHODS FOR MODULATING APOPTOTIC CELL DEATH**  
Examiner : Tracy Ann Vivlemore

**PETITION FOR TWO (2) MONTHS EXTENSION OF TIME**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450


Dear Sir or Madam,

Applicant's attorney/agent hereby petitions that the time for response to the non-final Office Action, mailed March 8, 2006 having a shortened statutory period for reply expiring on June 8, 2006, be extended for a period of two (2) months to **August 8, 2006**.

Applicant qualifies for small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27; therefore, the small entity fee of \$225.00 for this Petition for a Two (2) Months Extension of Time is being paid by Deposit Account deduction with submission of this document through the USPTO's Electronic Filing System.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required in connection with the filing of this document, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 19-3555.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Date: August 8, 2006

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